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A very satisfying day. It got off to a rather awkward start. Jean Colville called just before 8 AM and woke me up. She asked if she woke me and I said yes and she laughed and said that she liked my honesty. We chatted for an hour. She is up to her neck in preparation for Rebecca Colville's birthday on August 7th. She called me, ostensibly, to see if I knew of someone who could make the 500 finger sandwiches for the occasion. Jean spoke of the decoration and I suggested that she put up flags everywhere. She responded very favorably to the suggestion. She is going to have lots of balloons as well. At 9 AM I fell back into bed and 5 minutes later, Mason Essif called - I was apparently supposed to meet John Klimkewicz and Mason at the school to have a look at the videotape that they shot last week. At 10 AM I was at the school and we watched the tape. There is some good footage. Mason and John and I will meet again next Wednesday or is it Tuesday. It is Tuesday, the 28th at 2 PM. At 11 AM I left the CHHS and went to the News office. At 11:30, JVB called to ask if the glass negatives that Phil has of gravity railroad subjects were available. "Yes", said Phil, "but they are over at the house." John will pick them up as soon as Phil brings them into the office. John appeared at the News office at about noon and gave me the negatives for the front and back of the membership certificate for 1982-1983 for the Carbondale Historical Society and Museum, Inc. They are beautiful. He gave me a ream of xerox paper from the CHHS and also showed me the "From the desk of John V. Babermak" note paper that he produced for himself today at the school. I showed JVB the article about the discovery of the exact date on which the first regularly scheduled passenger train on the Gravity Railroad left Carbondale. He was pleased that I referred to him as "the young historian" in the article. I asked John if he wanted to go up to the Fell school with me when I went at 1 PM. At 1 PM, off we went. I wasn't sure how Phil would feel about John's riding along, and so I told John to head up Church Street and I would pick him up. I did. We had a very pleasant time at the school. John carried the camera. Many of the